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SALLY FORTH



THE AMAZING SPIDER-MAN



9 CHICKWEED LANE



ANDY CAPP



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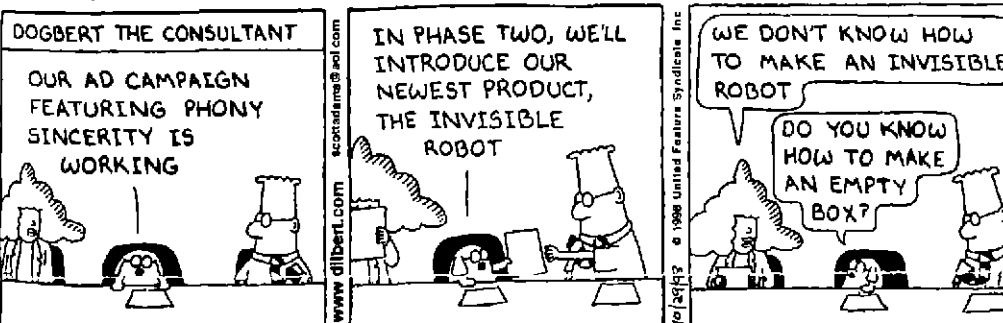
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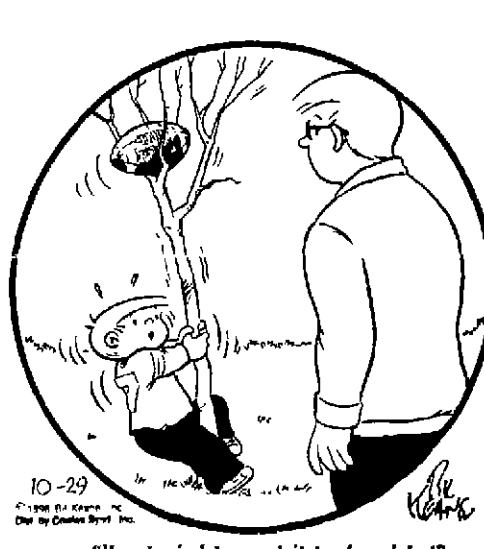
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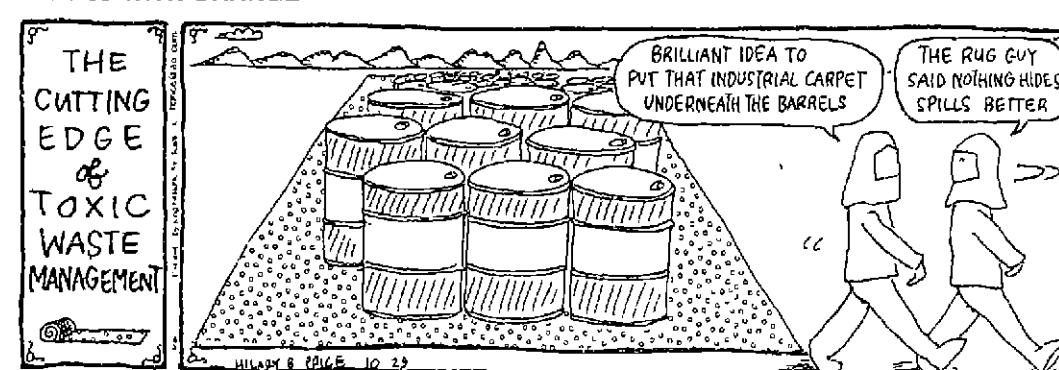
DENNIS THE MENACE



FAMILY CIRCUS



RHYMES WITH ORANGE



HOROSCOPE

For Friday, Oct. 30, 1998

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) Prepare yourself for a deep and meaningful discussion with a friend or partner.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) Use a recently formed alliance to your best advantage when it comes to business affairs.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) While your head is swimming with the change occurring around you, you manage to maintain a perfectly cool demeanor.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) A business opportunity might not be as great as it initially appears, so make sure you read the fine print.

LEO (July 23 to Aug. 22) Don't beat yourself up if technological errors should interfere with your efficiency.

VIRGO (Aug. 23 to Sept. 22) Don't be suspicious of someone else's altruistic attitude.

LIBRA (Sept. 23 to Oct. 22) There is no time like the present to reveal your true emotions.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23 to Nov. 21) Your luck changes for the better when it comes to love.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21) You are moved by a most unusual person, place or thing.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 to Jan. 19) Helping others goes a long way toward making you forget your worries.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20 to Feb. 18) Treat yourself to a new possession, or begin planning a much-needed vacation.

PISCES (Feb. 19 to March 20) Don't be afraid to dive into a challenging situation, as the outcome will be in your favor.

RALPH



WORD SLEUTH

Perfect game

P Q N K H E B Y W T R O L J G
E B Y W R U R P N K I G D B N
Z S T X O V S Q R R O M K I E
G E R A B C A Y W E U S Q P S
N L J O E X E H G T K F E K R
C A Y S R F A R X N V R L U A
S W I T T R E F O U U A A Q L
P N M K S I E R U H W O J B H
F E S S O J H O A O S C Y B Z
Y X V S N U R O N R K U T Y R
Q X I D D A H G N I N N U B C

Wednesday's unlisted clue: CABOOSE

Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all directions forward, backward, up, down and diagonally.

Thursday's unlisted clue hint: WORLD STRIPS PERFECT GAME

Barker	Hunter	No hits	Robertson
Bunning	Joss	No runs	Shore
Cy Young	Koufax	No walks	Witt
Haddox	No errors	Rare feat	

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For solution, see Classified.

ACES ON BRIDGE

By Bobby Wolff

In today's heart game, West's opening lead found South's soft spot. With three aces missing and a spade loser looming, South faced his first decision at trick one. Impressed with dummy's solid clubs, South won with his spade king, saving dummy's spade ace for a quick entry to dummy's clubs. At trick two he led a club to dummy's king and East's ace, and East knocked out dummy's spade ace. Dummy's club queen came next, but the jack didn't survive. South discarded his losing spade, but West nullified the discard by ruffing small. The defenders were left with two cashing aces, and South was left with only nine winners. South erred in relying on dummy's solid club suit for a discard. To succeed, his plan required a 3-3 club split or a defensive ruff with the singleton trump ace. Because a timely spade discard from either hand would ensure the game, South should opt for the 50-50 chance in diamonds. He wins dummy's spade ace at trick one and leads dummy's diamond jack. East has the diamond ace and must play it or lose it. South can win the spade return and discard dummy's last spade on his diamond king, and scores his game.

Vulnerable: Both

Dealer: North

The bidding

North	East	South	West
1 ♠	Pass	1 ♥	Pass
3 ♥	Pass	4 ♥	All pass

Opening lead: Spade trey

BRIDGE RESULTS

Bridge Studio: Sunday afternoon, first, Cornelia Yoder, Peter Leonelli, second, Gerry Radway, Paul Peters. Sunday evening, first, Mary Walsh, Carmen Swenson, second, Ron Dewey, Rita Dewey. Monday morning, first, Sheri Macht, Larry Sunser, second, Sarah Florio, Millie Tymann, Monday evening, first, Mary Lou Famulare, Larry Watul, second, Doug Lyon, Bill Oliver, Tuesday evening, first/second, John Chappell, Wayne Wilson, Doug Lyon, Bruce Rubin, Thursday morning teaching game, 1 NS, Jack Brown, Charlotte Brown, 2 NS, Debi Belanger, Sheila Comerford, 1 EW, Barbara Lorenz, Gail Callahan, 2/3 EW, Chevy Tiffany, Janet Gillen, Louis Bashaw, Donna Haskins. Thursday evening first, Murray Hall, Sharlene Kostichka, second, Millie Albright, Carmen Swenson, Friday morning, first/second, Doug Lyon, Millie Rosenblum, Matt Brown, Julie Sunser, Friday evening first, Bruce Rubin, George Winslow, second, Gerta Freimark, Walter Huda.

Concord: 1 NS, Mary Ryan, Judy Ortiz, 2 NS, Louise Staring, Sally Wright, 1 EW, Joel Davis, Harold Epoch, 2 EW, Lynn Pardee, Bill Fleming.

Lafayette Country Club: 1 NS, Lois Meyer, Irma Silverstein, 2 NS, Rosamund Adler, Joan Rubenstein, 1 EW, Natalie Waldman, Beverly Goldberg, 2 EW, Rosalind Gindoff, Gayle Barrington.

Liverpool: 1 NS, Fran Dussault, Judy Ortiz, 2 NS, Betty Burns, Dot Joiner, 1 EW, Bernie Dropcho, Sandie Dropcho, 2 EW, Mary Gorkin, Helene Gove.

Stonehedge: 1/2 NS, Judy Butcher, Lorrie Desruiseaux, Hanna Dushay, Helene Gove, 1 EW, Fran Dussault, Cio Morris, 2 EW, Peg Hesslein, Fran McCarthy.

Western Hills: 1 NS, Eleanor Peters, Kay Rowan, 2 NS, Lil Parkhurst, Mary Waters, 1 EW, Ann Carmola, Mary Lou Hess, 2 EW, Joan Shibel, Helen White.

Call 422-4114 by Friday evening to report your bridge club results.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS

Country singer Lee Clayton is 56. Rock musician Denny Laine is 54. Singer Melba Moore is 53. Musician Peter Green is 52. Actor Richard Dreyfuss is 51. Actress Kate Jackson is 50. Singer Randy Jackson is 37. Rock musician Peter Timmins (Cowboy Junkies) is 33. Actress Joely Fisher is 31. Rapper Paris is 31. Rock singer SA (31) is 28. Musician Toby Smith (Jamiroquai) is 28. Actress Winona Ryder is 27.

N.Y. TIMES CROSSWORD

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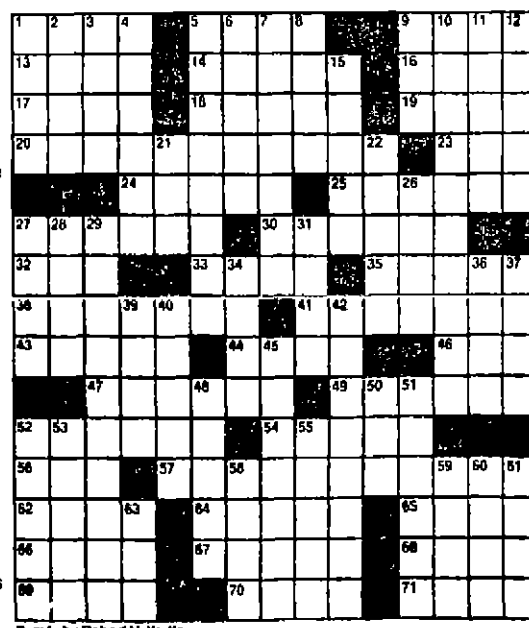
- 1 Unguent
- 5 A prisoner may enter one
- 9 Russia's Sea of
- 13 Omnium-gatherum
- 14 — grudge (harbored resentment)
- 16 Slayton of Apollo 18
- 17 Thrasher
- 18 Perfectionist's aim
- 19 Progress impediment
- 20 Fear an English philosopher's family?
- 22 40's war agcy
- 24 "— believe it!"
- 28 1972 Broadway debut
- 29 1965 Peace Prize recipient
- 30 Showily enthusiastic
- 32 Seoul soldier
- 33 Latin conjugation word
- 35 Gradually remove
- 36 Peace of mind
- 41 Anthology
- 43 Like a sleeping bag
- 44 Softer of soaps
- 45 Suffix with guitar
- 47 Dundee design
- 48 Take turns
- 52 Massage parlor offering
- 54 Year in Marcus Aurelius's reign
- 56 Pulitzer winning writer Akins
- 57 English philosopher not yet arrived?
- 62 White chip, often alternative
- 64 Michael of "Flashdance"
- 65 Hayworth's royal hubby
- 66 Convo components
- 67 Derby Stakes site
- 68 Chisholm Trail town
- 69 CONTROL enemy
- 70 Eyelid problem
- 71 Put's ou

DOWN

- 1 Barefaced
- 2 Banned spray
- 3 Greenish
- 4 Subway tunnel art, maybe
- 5 Communication from an Alexandrian philosopher?
- 6 Gave false hopes
- 7 Sophocles subject
- 8 One of the Aleutians
- 9 Spots
- 10 Fear of an ancient Greek philosopher?
- 11 Rain forest
- 12 Non meat eater
- 13 Beth's predecessor
- 21 W. H. Ilgen
- 22 Mythical bird woman
- 23 — passu (equally)
- 27 Orsk's river
- 28 "Don't look at me!"

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE

JEST SATAN SWAG
OREO EDICT KENO
SILO NORTH ULNA
HELLFIRE ALLOT
AEON SULK
COSTAR CREEPUP
OTHER FLAG ORNO
STE SPEARED ITS
MELD EASY ERNIE
ORLEANS STEGES
STINT POST
ACHED ILLTREAT
MOON GOBAD AXLE
TACT ALICE CAVE
ELKE LASER IMAN



Puzzle by Robert H. Wolfe



29 Declaration about unhanding a German philosopher?

48 Deimonico alternative

50 Ab — (from day one)

51 Teed off

52 — National Forest Ark

53 Conquest of Croesus

55 Quo Vadis? director Mervyn

56 Cry over spilled milk

59 "That's awful!"

60 Kind of a drag

61 Bounds

63 River's path possibly

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